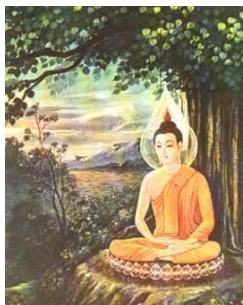


December Holidays

Bodhi Day



This is celebrated by the Buddhists on December 8 in commemoration of the enlightenment of the Buddha. Before the enlightenment, Buddha is said to have

undergone extreme ascetic practices and yet continued his meditation under the Pipal tree. He continued with his meditation till He was able to find the cause of suffering and how to liberate a person from it. This is considered the most important holiday for the Buddhists. [Bodhi Day](#)

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St. lucias day

The day of Saint Lucia in Scandinavia is an essential part of Christmas in Scandinavia. Each year on December 13, Saint Lucia is celebrated widely with candlelight and traditional candle-lit processions. Lucia herself was Christian and died for her faith. The December 13 holiday honors her.

[St.Lucias Day](#)



Boxing Day

Boxing Day is celebrated on December 26th. If it falls on a Saturday or a Sunday, the working day immediately preceding or following Boxing Day is considered a legal holiday. Boxing Day is a holiday in the United Kingdom, Canada, and many other Commonwealth nations. It is a time for family and friends to gather with lots of food and fun. Outdoor sports such as soccer, horse racing and hunting are popular on this holiday. Retailers offer huge savings on many items on this day. [Boxing Day](#)



Holiday Games - [Game Center](#)

Las Posadas

A wonderful Mexican Christmas tradition, *las posada's* literally translates in English as "the inns" and symbolizes the Biblical journey of Mary and Joseph as they searched for shelter in Bethlehem before the birth of Jesus. The nine-day celebration lasts from December 16 to Christmas Eve includes a candle-lit procession of children and parents reenacting Mary and Joseph's journey through Bethlehem. [Las Posadas](#)

